The paragraph beginning on page 6, line 11 has been amended to read as follows:

--Step 104 is to judge presence or absence of the disk device to be updated of the firmware as a result of step 103. The version of the disk device 23, 24 of which type is DV is different from the version of the disk device 22, and it is judged necessary to update the firmware of the disk device 23, 24 with the firmware of the disk device 22.--

The paragraph beginning on page 7, last line, and ending on page 8, line 3, has been amended to read as follows:

--At step 104, it is judged whether the disk device having the firmware to be updated is present or not as the result of step 203. Of the same type DV, since the version of the disk device 24 is different from the version of the disk device 23, it is judged necessary to update the firmware of the disk device 24 with the firmware of the disk device 23.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 2 to read as follows:

1. A disk system, comprising:

a computer composed of a plurality of disk devices each having a first memory storing firmware, and

an update program for updating specific information and firmware data of the firmware of said disk devices.

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